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Filing deadline nears for Hoosier homeowners

INDIANAPOLIS – Hoosier homeowners have one more week to file for property tax credits and deductions with county auditors.

Deductions and credits applied for before the June 12 deadline will be applied to 2007 tax bills for taxpayers who owned their homes as of March 1, 2006.

A law passed earlier this year moved the filing deadline from May 10 to June 10. Since June 10 is on a Saturday this year, taxpayers have until June 12 to file, said Melissa K. Henson, commissioner of the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Eligibility information and application forms are available online at www.in.gov/dlgf or from county auditors for:

- Homestead Deductions/Credits
- Mortgage Deductions
- Deductions for Persons Over Age 65 or Surviving Spouses
- Deductions for Blind or Disabled
- Deductions for Totally Disabled Veterans, or Veterans with Partial Disability in Wartime,
 WWI Veterans or Surviving Spouses

Annually the state provides millions of dollars in credits and deductions to provide property tax relief for Hoosiers.

Homeowners will see a boost in that relief in their 2007 tax bills thanks to a new law passed by the Indiana General Assembly earlier this year. Lawmakers increased the homestead deduction from \$35,000 to \$45,000.

For more information on the filing deadline, contact Mitch Frazier, the Department's public information officer, at (317) 233-9222. A searchable listing of county auditor phone numbers can be found online at www.in.gov/serv/dlgf_officials.